

D-D Farm Animal Sanctuary & Rescue 6000 North Creasy Springs Road Columbia, MO 65202

CITATION AND NOTIFICATION OF PENALTY

We believe that you violated the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. § 2131 et seq.) (AWA), as described below.

Date of Violation: January 30, 2012

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general.

(a) Structural strength. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

> You failed to construct facilities of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved, and to maintain them in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. Specifically:

- 1) Sections of the tiger, lioness, and cougar primary enclosure fences were held together with black, plastic zip-ties.
- 2) The enclosure for a 4 year old male lion had a shelter structure with a flat roof. The shelter was low enough for the lion to access the roof and the edge of the roof was nearly level with the horizontal support pole along the top of the chain link fence, and was approximately 27 inches from the fence.
- 3) The shelter structure in an adult female tiger's enclosure was positioned in the corner of the fencing for the primary enclosure. The back of the roof of the shelter structure was approximately 3.5 to 4 feet from the top of the primary enclosure fence.
- 4) The chain link fence of the primary enclosure housing a 4 year old male lion was approximately 6 feet high with 2 strips of barbed wire at the top of the fence. A section of fencing near the entrance had no barbed wire.
- 5) Cattle panels on top of the tiger enclosure fence were wired together with fine gauge wire.
- 6) Areas of the big cat enclosures had support poles that were excessively rusty.

Date of Violation: May 30, 2012

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general.

Reference Number: MO140002-AC

Issuance Date: March 10, 2015



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You failed to construct facilities of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved, and to maintain them in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. The primary enclosure with a tiger and liger had two nails sticking up approximately 1-2 inches from the lower platform where a board was missing.

Date of Violation: January 7, 2013

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general.

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You failed to construct facilities of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved, and to maintain them in good repair to protect the animals from injury. Specifically:

- 1) The raised platform in the enclosure for a tiger and liger was missing support leg. The wood planks on the same platform had long jagged splinters with large gaps and/or missing pieces of wood.
- 2) A section of floor was missing from the corner of the platform in the enclosure for 3 tigers.

Date of Violation: April 22, 2013

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You failed to construct facilities of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved, and to maintain them in good repair to protect the animals from injury. Specifically:

- 1) Two raised platforms in the enclosure for a tiger and liger and 1 raised platform inside the enclosure for 3 tigers had worn wooden planks creating gaps in the floors.
- 2) Multiple areas in the tiger, tiger/liger, lion, and mountain lion enclosures had pieces of twisted wire protruding into the enclosures.
- 3) An area of fence on the backside of the enclosure for 3 tigers had a fence panel that was excessively rusted.

Date of Violation: August 12, 2013

Reference Number: MO140002-AC Issuance Date: March 10, 2015



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You failed to construct facilities of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved, and to maintain them in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. Specifically:

- 1) Southwest side of tiger/liger enclosure there was a gap approximately 3-4 feet in length where the fence was not attached to the ground metal support pole. The fence was separated from the support pole by approximately 6 inches.
- 2) Two sections of enclosure approximately 2-3 feet in length where hardware netting covering the top of the serval's enclosure were not securely fastened to the metal support bar. A gap of approximately 6 inches was present.
- 3) A sharp, pointed wire was protruding into the bobcat enclosure.

Date of Violation: December 2, 2013

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general.

(a) Structural strength. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

You failed to construct facilities of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved, and to maintain them in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. On the east side of the lion enclosure, approximately 3-4 feet of the enclosure fence was not attached to the ground metal support pole.

Date of Violation: March 17, 2014

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general.

(a) Structural strength. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

You failed to construct facilities of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved, and to maintain them in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. Specifically:

1) Three wolves had dug underneath the chain link fence separating them from an enclosure housing 3 wolf hybrids. The hole was large enough that the wolves could enter the wolf hybrid enclosure.

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2) A plastic child's toy inside the coatimundi enclosure had a crack approximately 1 foot long in the plastic and a hole approximately 4 inches in diameter.

Date of Violation: March 17, 2014

9 C.F.R. § 3.130 Watering.

If potable water is not accessible to the animals at all times, it must be provided as often as necessary for the health and comfort of the animal. Frequency of watering shall consider age, species, condition, size, and type of the animal. All water receptacles shall be kept clean and sanitary.

You failed to provide potable water as often as necessary for the health and comfort of animals. Specifically:

- 1) The water receptacle/stock tank for 3 tigers had a dark green algae-like substance along the inside surface of the tank.
- 2) The water receptacle/stock tank for a tiger and a liger had water that appeared dark brown and murky. Two 3-gallon water receptacles on the fence were empty. One of these had bird droppings on the inside. When provided fresh water, both cats drank vigorously.
- 3) A cougar had no water available. When given water, it drank vigorously.
- 4) The water receptacle for 2 foxes appeared partially frozen and covered in debris.
- 5) The water receptacle for 2 coatimundi was nearly empty and the water appeared dark and murky.

Date of Violation: March 17, 2014

9 C.F.R. § **3.131(c)** Sanitation.

(c) Housekeeping. Premises (buildings and grounds) shall be kept clean and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this subpart. Accumulations of trash shall be placed in designated areas and cleared as necessary to protect the health of the animals.

You failed to ensure grounds were kept clean and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices. You failed to address tall, mostly dead grass and/or weeds adjacent to the wolf and wolf hybrid enclosures and which was between 3-4 feet tall.

Date of Violation: September 16, 2014

9 C.F.R. § 3.125(a) Facilities, general.

(a) Structural strength. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

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You failed to construct facilities of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved, and to maintain them in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. APHIS observed 2 sections of the serval primary enclosure where the hardware netting and wire panels covering the top of the enclosure were not securely fastened to the metal support bar.

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9 C.F.R. § 3.125(d) Facilities, general.

(d) Waste disposal. Provision shall be made for the removal and disposal of animal and food wastes, bedding, dead animals, trash and debris. Disposal facilities shall be so provided and operated as to minimize vermin infestation, odors, and disease hazards. The disposal facilities and any disposal of animal and food wastes, bedding, dead animals, trash, and debris shall comply with applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations relating to pollution control or the protection of the environment.

You failed to make provision for the removal and disposal of animal and food wastes, bedding, trash, and debris. You had failed to remove an accumulation of bedding and material in the cougar shelters that appeared compacted, dark brown, moist, and dirt-like. The cougar, which had been lying in one of the shelters, had matted, moist-looking, discolored fur on its back and right rear leg.

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9 C.F.R. § **3.130** Watering.

If potable water is not accessible to the animals at all times, it must be provided as often as necessary for the health and comfort of the animal. Frequency of watering shall consider age, species, condition, size, and type of the animal. All water receptacles shall be kept clean and sanitary.

You failed to provide potable water as often as necessary for the health and comfort of animals. The water receptacle for 3 wolves had a dark green algae-like substance along the waterline of its inside surface. The water itself was a greenish brown color.

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9 C.F.R. § **3.131(c)** Sanitation.

(c) Housekeeping. Premises (buildings and grounds) shall be kept clean and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices set forth in this subpart. Accumulations of trash shall be placed in designated areas and cleared as necessary to protect the health of the animals.

You failed to ensure grounds were kept clean and in good repair in order to protect the animals from injury and to facilitate the prescribed husbandry practices. You failed to address tall grass and/or weeds that

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were adjacent to and within the wolf enclosure and which were between 3-4 feet tall.

The penalty for the alleged violation(s) described above is \$4,071.

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